

## **FURTHER UPDATE**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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### **Delaware State Employees To Report at 10:30 A.M. Wednesday**

Travel on icy roads still hazardous

State of Delaware government offices will open and state employees should report to work at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Gov. Ruth Ann Minner announced Wednesday morning. Essential employees should report as normal.

New Castle County, Sussex County and the City of Wilmington government offices will open at 10:00 a.m. Essential workers report at regular time.

"There are varying conditions across the state this morning following last night's weather, with two inches of snow in parts of New Castle County, about an inch in Kent and little or no snow in Sussex. But what we are seeing across the state are icy conditions on the roads as a result of the overnight cold temperatures," Gov. Minner said. "Therefore, we will again allow DelDOT some extra time to work on the roadways and bring state employees in late today."

At 5 a.m., DelDOT officials in each county and Delaware State Police reported that most primary roads and some secondary roads are in good shape; however, many secondary and back roads are very icy and treacherous. In some areas, there is still a snow covering over an ice coating. There still may be occasional flurries in New Castle County. Temperatures are expected to remain around the freezing mark throughout the day.

Those who must drive should use extreme caution and slow speeds on back roads and any uncleared secondary roads this morning. Icy patches may remain, even on treated and plowed roads.

Motorists are advised to avoid driving before sunrise when possible. Drivers with cell phones can dial #77 for help if their vehicles become disabled.

The public is advised to monitor the DelDOT web site, [www.deldot.net/](http://www.deldot.net/) Travel Advisory, [www.state.de.us/dema](http://www.state.de.us/dema) or the State of Delaware web site, [www.delaware.gov](http://www.delaware.gov), Closings and Delays. In addition, they should monitor local broadcast media and print media web sites for updates.

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